GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:432
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2001
PERMISSION TO MEDICAL AND DENTAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Medical and Dental Colleges are admitting students to courses despite the Centre not having accorded permission/extension of permission to about 45 medical/dental colleges across the country;

(b) whether such permissions were denied to these colleges for not having achieved annual targets and for lagging behind in infrastructure; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to protect the unwary students?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 432 FOR 22.8.2001

(a) to (c): The permission for starting new medical and dental colleges is given initially for a period of one year. It is renewed on an year to year basis on verification of facilities available. The permission for the academic year 2001-2002 has not so far been accorded in respect of 12 medical and 31 dental colleges. Renewal of permission in case of these colleges will depend on availability of facilities and recommendations of the Councils. Till renewal is granted they are not supposed to admit fresh batch of students. General public are being advised through press releases/press advertisements to verify the status of colleges before admitting their wards in various medical/dental Colleges. The information is also made available on the website of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (http://www.mohfw.nic.in).